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Incident #: 166349 Reference #: 257423-1 Incident Date: 09/29/2020 County: FREESTONE

Who is submitting this information?

Stakeholder/Submitter: Gas Pipeline
Name of person providing the information: Jerry Hill (Online)

**P5** Operator Information

Operator P5 Number: 564719

Operator Full Name: MIDCOAST PIPELINES (E TX) L.P.
Operator Address: 1501 McKinney Street, Suite 600

Operator Address Line 2:

City, State, Zip: Houston, TX 77010 0000 Representative Name: Mr. Tommy Stone, COO

Representative Phone: (713) 627-4626

**Excavator Contact Information** 

Excavator Company Name: BASS ENGINEERING

Excavator Address: PO BOX 5609

City, State, Zip: LONGVIEW, TX 75608 5609

Excavator Contact Name: JASON IVEY
Excavator Contact Phone Number: (903) 759-1633

Excavator Contact Fax Number:

Excavator Email Address: JASON@BASS-ENG.COM

Other Contact Information (General Contractor)

Company Name: Not Applicable

Address:

City, State, Zip: Contact Name:

Contact Phone Number: Contact Fax Number: Email Address:

**Excavation Information** 

Type of Excavator: Contractor

Pipeline Damaged With:

Type of Work Performed:

Damaged by:

Backhoe/Trackhoe

Natural Gas

Third Party

Date and Location of Incident \*\* ( see RRC Note below )

Date of Incident: 09/29/2020 4:45 PM

State: Texas (USA)
County: FREESTONE

City/Subdivision/Location Name: Fairfield / FM 2547 Near Stewards Mill

Street Address: FM 2547 FM 2547
Nearest Intersection: FM 2547 & Stewards Mill

Format of Latitude/Longitude: Decimal

Latitude/Longitude: 31.8077 -96.1943

Right of way where incident occurred: Pipeline

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**Notification, Locating, Marking** 

Was the One Call Center notified prior to excavation?

Name of One Call Notification Center? Texas 811
One Call Ticket Number? 2075985307
Date of Notification: 09/15/2020

Did the excavator wait 48-hrs prior to excavating?:

Yes

Did the pipeline operator provide a positive response to the first

Yes

notification?:

Date of Positive Response: 09/21/2020 Time of Positive Response: 1:00 PM

Did excavator make a second call to the One-Call Center?:

Reason for call: If other, explain:

Second Notice Ticket Number?:

Date of Second Notice:

Did the pipeline operator provide a positive response to the second

notification?:

Date of Positive Response to second notice:

Time of Positive Response to second notice:

Were Pipeline facility marks visible in the area of excavation at the time of Yes

damage?

Were Pipeline facilities marked accurately?

If no,reason why? Pipeline was not marked accurately

If other, explain?

Distance of inaccurate marks from pipeline?

What was type of locator?: Pipeline Operator

If other, explain?

If contracted, what was the name of the contracted locator?

Method Used to Locate: Inductive

If other, explain method:

Was paint a type of marking used?

Were flags a type of marking used?

No
Was there another type of marking used?

No

If yes, describe:

Did the excavator mark site by "White Lining"?

Were special instructions part of the locate ticket?

No
Were maps used during marking?

No
Did locator meet with excavator at time of marking?

Were pipeline company representatives on site at the time of excavation?

Yes
Did the Operator follow their Damage Prevention/Locating Procedure?

No

**Excavator Downtime** 

Did the excavator have any down time?

**Description of Damage** 

Was there damage to a pipeline?

Damage Occured To?

Was there a release of product(blowing gas,hissing noise,odor,bubbles in water or fluid leaking)?

Yes

Coating

No

Did the excavator notify emergency services (911)?

No
Did the excavator notify the pipeline operator of

Yes

damage through the notification center?

One Call Notification Center? Texas 811

Dig Up ticket Number? 2075985307

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Yes

No

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Did the excavator notify the pipeline operator of

damage directly?

Did damage cause an interruption in service?

If yes, duration of interruption of service(hours)

Approx. how many customers were affected?

Estimated cost of repair/restoration:

Number of people injured:

Type of injuries: Number of deaths:

Was the type of pipeline damaged interstate or

Intrastate

intrastate?

Did this incident or accident meet the Pipeline Safety telephonic or written reportable criteria in Title 16 TX

No

Admin. Code Chapter 8?

Incident Call-in ID Number:

## Impact of Incident

Did ignition/fire occur? No Were people evacuated? No

How many people were

evacuated?

Was there media coverage?

Were any streets blocked?

Was there any explosion?

Other impact?

No

#### **Underground Pipeline Information**

Type of underground pipeline

Gathering

facility affected?

Pipeline is: Active

Pipeline Material: Coated Steel Nominal Diameter of Damaged 8.0 inches

Pipe:

What was the depth of the 3 ft 6.0 in

damaged pipeline at the point of

contact?

Year Pipeline Installed:

Was the pipeline facility part of a No

joint trench?

Is pipeline Operator a member of

One-Call Notification Center?

Yes

#### What Product was being transported

Type of Product Transported? Natural or Other Gases

#### **Description of Root Cause**

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Possible Cause (Root cause not listed or Other Explanation):

Bass was working for Midcoast on a Midcoast location. Prior to this day, Pre-excavation hydrovac work was done to check the dig area. Hydrovac "cross" stopped less than one foot from the effected pipeline. The 8" pipe approached the dig area at an angle that entered the perceived cleared area, but outside the hydrovac line.

#### **Additional Comments**

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